

# IRISH LAND COMMISSION.

## RETURN

OF

## PROCEEDINGS

UNDER

"THE LAND LAW (IRELAND) ACTS, 1881 AND 1887;" "THE LABOURERS (IRELAND) ACTS, 1885-1886;" AND "THE PURCHASE OF LAND (IRELAND) ACTS, 1885, 1888, AND 1891;" AND "THE REDEMPTION OF RENT (IRELAND) ACT, 1891,"

DURING THE MONTH OF

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## IRISH LAND COMMISSION.

MONTH OF MARCH, 1892.

Summary of Proceedings under "The Land Law (Ireland) Acts, 1881 and 1887," up to the 31st day of March, 1892; also of Proceedings up to same date, under "The Labourers (Ireland) Acts, 1885-1886," and under "The Purchase of Land (Ireland) Acts, 1885, 1888, and 1891," and "The Redemption of Rent (Ireland) Act, 1891."

## COURT OF THE IRISH LAND COMMISSION.

## I.—FAIR RENT.

(a.) *In Court.*

Applications under "Land Law (Ireland) Act, 1881," to have Fair Rents fixed in Court to 29th February, 1892, . . .	173,317	173,391	Rents fixed— By Chief Commission to 29th February, 1892, . . .	3,819	3,838
Applications received in month of March, 1892, . . .	174		" in month of March, 1892, . . .	14	
Applications under "Land Law (Ireland) Act, 1881," to have Fair Rents fixed in Court, transferred from Civil Bill Courts, to 29th February, 1892, . . .	8,429	8,449	By Sub-Commissions to 29th February, 1892, . . .	144,358	144,645
Do. in month of March, 1892, . . .	30		" in month of March, 1892, . . .	267	
Applications by Leaseholders under "Land Law (Ireland) Act, 1887," to have Fair Rents fixed in Court to 29th February, 1892, . . .	25,350	25,426	Dismissed and struck out— By Chief Commission to 29th February, 1892, . . .	2,190	2,190
Applications received in month of March, 1892, . . .	76		" in month of March, 1892, . . .	—	
Applications by Leaseholders under "Land Law (Ireland) Act, 1887," to have Fair Rents fixed in Court, transferred from Civil Bill Courts, to 29th Feb., 1892, . . .	1,945	1,950	By Sub-Commissions to 29th February, 1892, . . .	37,616	37,750
Do. in month of March, 1892, . . .	5		" in month of March, 1892, . . .	54	
Total, . . .	211,538		Withdrawn*— By Chief Commission to 29th February, 1892, . . .	4,992	5,009
			" in month of March, 1892, . . .	17	
			By Sub-Commissions to 29th February, 1892, . . .	8,809	8,818
			" in month of March, 1892, . . .	9	
			Total disposed of, . . .	—	302,945

(b.) *Out of Court.*

Agreements out of Court, in form 33, fixing Fair Rent to 29th February, 1892, . . .	111,089
Do. do. in month of March, 1892, . . .	238
Total, . . .	111,327

\* An application to fix a Fair Rent cannot be withdrawn without the consent of both Landlord and Tenant, and it may be inferred, where applications for leave to withdraw are made, that a rent has been agreed upon between the parties.

## II.—MISCELLANEOUS ORIGINATING NOTICES.\*

Miscellaneous Originating Notices (e.g., Sale of Tenancies and Resumption of Holdings, &c.): Applications received to 29th February, 1892, . . . . .	1,502	1,510	Number disposed of to 29th February, 1892, . . . . .	2,051
Applications received in month of March, 1892, . . . .	8		“ in month of March, 1892, . . . . .	6
Miscellaneous Originating Notices (e.g., Sale of Tenancies and Resumption of Holdings, &c.) transferred from Civil Bill Courts to 29th February, 1892, Do. in month of March, 1892, . . . . .	27 —	27		
Applications by Leaseholders to be declared Tenants of present tenancies (Form 31) received to 29th February, 1892, . . . .	1,026	1,026		
Applications in month of March, 1892, . . . . .	—			
Total, . . . . .	—	2,535	Total disposed of, . . . . .	2,057

\* The first notice of application to the Court, seeking its decision upon the true value of a tenancy, fair rent, evidence of lease, or any other question which the Court has jurisdiction to decide under the Act, is termed an Originating Notice.

## III.—APPLICATIONS BY LESSEE OR GRANTEE TO HAVE LEASE OR GRANT EXECUTED SINCE 1ST JANUARY, 1869, DECLARED VOID (“LAND LAW (IRELAND) ACT, 1887,”—SEC. 2.)—FORM 80.

Number of Applications received to 29th February, 1892, † . . . . .	56	Leases or Grants declared void to 29th February, 1892, . . . . .	22	22
		“ in month of March, 1892, . . . .	—	
		Applications dismissed or struck out to 29th Feb., 1892, . . . . .	26	26
		“ in month of March, 1892, . . . .	—	
		Applications withdrawn or compro- mised to 29th Feb., 1892, . . . . .	3	3
		“ in month of March, 1892, . . . .	—	
Total, . . . . .	56	Total disposed of, . . . . .	—	53

† The time limited in the Act for lodging an Application of this kind expired on the 29th February, 1892.

## IV.—APPLICATIONS BY MIDDLEMAN CLAIMING TO BE ENTITLED TO SURRENDER HIS HOLDING UNDER SEC. 8 OF “LAND LAW (IRELAND) ACT, 1887.”—FORM 83.

Number of Applications received to 29th Feb., 1892, in month of March, 1892, . . . .	10 —	10	Applications granted to 29th Feb., 1892, . . . . .	—	—
“ Transferred from Civil Bill Courts to 29th Feb., 1892, in month of March, 1892, . . . . .	3 —		“ in month of March, 1892, . . . .	—	
		3	Applications dismissed or struck out to 29th Feb., 1892, . . . . .	9	9
			“ in month of March, 1892, . . . .	—	
			Applications withdrawn to 29th Feb., 1892, . . . . .	5	3
			“ in month of March, 1892, . . . .	—	
Total, . . . . .	—	13	Total disposed of, . . . . .	—	12

## V.—PROCEEDINGS UNDER THE LABOURERS (IRELAND) ACTS, 1885—1886.

Applications received to 29th Feb., 1892,	3,102	Rents fixed to 29th Feb., 1892,	2,571	2,502
“ in Mar., 1892,	—	“ in Mar., 1892,	51	
		Applications dismissed, struck out, and withdrawn to 29th Feb., 1892,	270	
		“ in Mar., 1892,	—	270
Total,	3,102	Total disposed of,	—	2,572

## VI.—APPEALS TO FAIR RENT, &amp;c.

Number of Appeals lodged to 29th Feb., 1892,	33,428	Number heard to 29th Feb., 1892,	14,828	16,989
“ in month of Mar., 1892,	60	“ in month of Mar., 1892,	181	
		Number dismissed or struck out to 29th Feb., 1892,	*1,076	
		“ in month of Mar., 1892,	—	
		Deduct cases reinstated to 31st Mar., 1892,	1,076	801
			275	
		Number withdrawn to 29th Feb., 1892,	16,610	
		“ in month of Mar., 1892,	129	16,739
		Total Number disposed of,	—	34,529
		Remaining to be disposed of,	—	4,459
Total,	33,488	Total,	—	38,988

\* In 435 cases the Notices were struck out because wages were not lodged as required by Rule 14, and in 431 cases because the Notices were not duly stamped. Of the former 43 cases, and of the latter 215 cases, were reinstated.

## VII.—PURCHASE OF LAND (IRELAND) ACTS, 1885 AND 1893.

	Number.	Amount.
Loans applied for to 29th February, 1892,	29,335	£ 11,378,532
“ in March, 1892,	—	—
Deduct Applications refused,	26,335	11,373,932
	2,734	1,648,732
	26,601	10,350,199
Loans sanctioned to 29th February, 1892,	25,042	9,084,037
“ in March, 1892,	583	127,971
	25,625	9,212,008
Loans issued to 29th February, 1892,	17,920	7,472,561
“ in March, 1892,	343	36,456
	18,263	7,509,017

## VIII.—PURCHASE OF LAND (IRELAND) ACT, 1891.

	Number.	Amount.
Loans applied for to 29th February, 1892, . . . . .	485	£ 192,692
„ in March, 1892, . . . . .	682	207,942
	1,167	400,634
Loans sanctioned to 29th February, 1892, . . . . .	8	6,136
„ in March, 1892, . . . . .	51	18,316
	59	24,452
Loans issued to 29th February, 1892, . . . . .	—	—
„ in March, 1892, . . . . .	1	1,200
	1	1,200

## IX.—REDEMPTION OF RENT (IRELAND) ACT, 1891.

Applications received to 29th February, 1892, . . . . .	375	Consents to Redemption of Rent received and cases treated as Agreements to Purchase to 29th February, 1892, . . . . .	50	
„ in March, 1892, . . . . .	58	„ in March, 1892, . . . . .	25	73
		Consents not received and cases treated as Applications to fix Fair Rents * to 29th February, 1892, . . . . .	204	
		„ in March, 1892, . . . . .	36	240
		Number of cases dismissed to 29th Feb., 1892, . . . . .	5	
		„ in March, 1892, . . . . .	—	5
		Number of cases struck out and withdrawn to 29th February, 1892, . . . . .	3	
		„ in March, 1892, . . . . .	3	6
Total, . . . . .	433	Total disposed of, . . . . .	—	334

\* Applications treated as Fair Rent cases are also included in Fair Rent Table (c), page 2.

## CIVIL BILL COURTS.

## MONTH OF MARCH, 1892.

Summary of Proceedings under "The Land Law (Ireland) Acts, 1881 and 1887," as notified to the Irish Land Commission, up to the 31st day of March, 1892.

## I.—FAIR RENT.

(a.) *In Court.*

Applications under "Land Law (Ireland) Act, 1881," to have Fair Rents fixed in Court to 29th February, 1892, . . . . .	25,706	30,993	Rents fixed to 29th Feb., 1892, . . . . .	13,860	14,029
Applications received in month of March, 1892, . . . . .	165		" in month of March, 1892, . . . . .	65	
Applications by Leaseholders under "Land Law (Ireland) Act, 1887," to have Fair Rents fixed to 29th February, 1892, . . . . .	2,765	3,739	Applications dismissed or struck out to 29th Feb., 1892, . . . . .	2,838	2,849
Applications received in month of March, 1892, . . . . .	34		" in month of March, 1892, . . . . .	11	
Applications to fix Fair Rents in Civil Bill Courts under sec. 6 "Land Law (Ireland) Act, 1887," when an ejectment is pending, to 29th Feb., 1892, . . . . .	1,885	2,600	Applications withdrawn* to 29th February, 1892, . . . . .	300	301
Applications received in month of March, 1892, . . . . .	15		" in month of March, 1892, . . . . .	1	
Total, . . . . .		31,722	Applications transferred to Irish Land Commission Court to 29th Feb., 1892, . . . . .	9,487	9,719
			" in month of March, 1892, . . . . .	32	
			Total disposed of, . . . . .		26,994

(b.) *Out of Court.*

Agreements out of Court, in Form No. 23, fixing Fair Rent to 29th February, 1892, . . . . .	7,078
Do., do., in month of March, 1892, . . . . .	23
Total, . . . . .	7,101

\* An application to fix a Fair Rent cannot be withdrawn without the consent of both Landlord and Tenant, and it may be inferred, where applications for leave to withdraw are made, that a rent has been agreed upon between the parties.

## II.—MISCELLANEOUS ORIGINATING NOTICES.†

Miscellaneous Originating Notices (e.g., Sale of Tenancies and Resumption of Holdings, &c.): Applications received to 29th February, 1892, . . . . .	437	442	Number disposed of to 29th Feb., 1892, . . . . .	190	190
Applications received in month of January, 1892, . . . . .	5		" in month of March, 1892, . . . . .	—	
Applications by Leaseholders to be declared Tenants of present Tenancies (Form 81) received to 29th Feb., 1892, . . . . .	3	3	Transferred to Irish Land Commission Court to 29th February, 1892, . . . . .	27	27
Applications received in month of March, 1892, . . . . .	—		Transferred in month of March, 1892, . . . . .	—	
Total, . . . . .		445	Total disposed of, . . . . .		217

† The first notice of application in the Court, setting its claims upon the true value of a tenancy, fair rent, avoidance of lease, or any other question which the Court has jurisdiction to decide under the Act, is termed an Originating Notice.

III.—APPLICATIONS BY LESSEE OR GRANTOR TO HAVE LEASE OR GRANT EXECUTED SINCE  
1ST JANUARY, 1869, DECLARED VOID ("LAND LAW (IRELAND) ACT, 1887,"—SEC. 2).—  
FORM 80.

Number of Applications received to 23rd February, 1892,*	8	Leases or Grants declared void to 29th Feb., 1892, .	—	—
		" in month of Mar., 1892, .	—	
		Applications dismissed or struck out to 29th Feb., 1892, .	8	8
		" in month of Mar., 1892, .	—	
		Applications withdrawn or compromised to 29th February, 1892, .	—	—
		" in month of Mar., 1892, .	—	
		Applications transferred to Irish Land Commission Court to 29th February, 1892, .	—	—
		" in month of Mar., 1892, .	—	
Total, . . . . .	6	Total disposed of, . . . . .	—	8

\* The time limited in the Act for lodging an Application of this kind expired on the 23rd February, 1892.

IV.—APPLICATIONS BY MIDDLEMAN CLAIMING TO BE ENTITLED TO SURRENDER HIS HOLDING  
UNDER SEC. 8 OF "LAND LAW (IRELAND) ACT, 1887."—FORM 83.

Number of Applications received to 29th February, 1892, . . . . .	20	Applications granted to 29th Feb., 1892, . . . . .	3	3
" in month of March, 1892, . . . . .	—	" in month of Mar., 1892, . . . . .	—	
		Applications dismissed or struck out to 29th Feb., 1892, . . . . .	4	4
		" in month of Mar., 1892, . . . . .	—	
		Applications withdrawn to 29th February, 1892, . . . . .	1	1
		" in month of Mar., 1892, . . . . .	—	
		Applications transferred to Irish Land Commission Court to 29th February, 1892, . . . . .	3	3
		" in month of Mar., 1892, . . . . .	—	
Total, . . . . .	20	Total disposed of, . . . . .	—	11

Irish Land Commission, }  
28th April, 1892. }

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